## March 10, 2020 Public Update

## Situation Overview

KDHE continues to closely monitor an outbreak of a respiratory illness caused by a novel coronavirus named coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID–19). The outbreak first started in Wuhan, China, but cases have been identified around the world including in the United States. The first case in the United States was announced January 21, 2020.

Kansas announced its first presumptive positive case of COVID-19 in a Johnson County woman under the age of 50. It was announced Saturday, March 8 at a press conference. As of today, the patient is doing well.

2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Kansas Test Results  Updated 3/10/20 at 6 p.m.	
Positive (confirmed)	1
Negative	25
Persons Under Investigation (PUI) Pending Testing Results	13
Close Contacts COVID-19 in Kansas	
Close contacts being monitored	3

## **KDHE Response Activities**

- KDHE will update its website with the number of PUIs by 6 p.m. daily, Monday Friday. Any further presumptive positive cases will be announced via press release moving forward.
- KDHE has created a toolkit of Kansas-specific guidance to help local public health departments engage with their community partners on COVID-19 planning. It can be found on the KDHE website: <a href="https://www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus">www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus</a>. New information is added daily.
- KDHE has a phone-bank operation that is staffed during regular business hours through March 13. The phone number is **1-866-534-3463** (1-866-KDHEINF).
- KDHE also has an email address for general inquiries, COVID-19@ks.gov.

## For More Information:

• Please visit our tool kit and Frequently Asked Questions: www.kdheks.gov/coronavirus.

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